

St. Johnsbury Caledonian.



St. Johnsbury, Vt., Friday, October 1, 1822.

National Republican Nominations

THE PRESIDENTIAL

ULYSSES S. GRANT,

FOR THE PRESIDENT

HENRY WILSON,

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

Second Congressional District Repub-

lican Convention.

The Republican convention of the Second Congressional District met at St. Johnsbury on Wednesday evening, and delegates from Congressmen's districts to be filled while other districts are without. The utility of holding a convention at such a late hour for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Presidency has been strongly urged by the Presiding Officer of the Convention.

Each voter casting his vote in support of the candidate selected at the State election in attending the convention will be entitled to one delegate, and each voter casting more than one hundred votes will be entitled to one additional delegate for each thousand part of one hundred votes, or one exceeding fifty. Apportioned as follows:

STANISLAWSKI'S DISTRICT.—No. 1, 200 electors.
Hartford 2, Franklin
Burlington 2, Grand Isle
Pomfret 2, Lamoille
Orwell 2, Orleans
Hancock 2, Rutland
Ludlow 2, Washington
Lyndon 2, Windham
Plymouth 2, Vermont

WINDHAM COUNTY.—No. 2, 200 electors.
Brattleboro 2, Brattleboro
Dover 2, Dover
Fond du Lac 2, Franklin
Grafton 2, Grafton
Hartford 2, Hartford
Londonderry 2, Londonderry
Lyndon 2, Lyndon
Middletown 2, Middletown
New Haven 2, New Haven
Plymouth 2, Plymouth
Westmoreland 2, Westmoreland

WINDHAM COUNTY.—No. 3, 200 electors.

S. N. HARRIS, Jr., President
A. H. GREENE, Vice-President
Brattleboro, Sept. 30, 1822.

The Plan to Detract the Voters of This District.

Republicans—be on Guard.

We have several times alluded to the fact that Steele had been holding out a hope of truce to the enemies of the republican party. That he has indirectly, and his friends for him have directly endeavored to constitute this element no republican paper outside of the district, and none in the district except those for which Steele or his friends furnish the matter relating to the campaign, has ever used mention of Steele. The entire democratic press of the state, and especially journals outside, have labored for the defeat of Judge Poland, and the nomination of Steele. Many republican papers, and if the Democrats or Greeley, mean to do so, will do so, will be allowed a seat in the convention. But the friends of Steele, who must be on their guard, have urged the return of Steele to the party. Let the Poland Republicans, &c. of the free people, please withdraw from the caucus, and those who supported him in the district, not least a fugitive to themselves. Such delegates will be the only ones entitled to a voice in the convention.

For an opposition party to attempt to control a republican caucus is a sneaky political trick which the Republicans will not submit to.

The People's Choice.

The Steele papers, edited by himself, his brother, brother-in-law, and protege, have had a good deal to say about Steele's being the choice of the people. It is a little strange that the people seemed to be instructed as to what they wanted, and that Steele himself should have volunteered to give them this instruction! If the people wanted him why "sidetrack the press?" Why let loose a sense of more unbridged, and belligerent sprigs of the law upon the community to help impress this lesson on the people? The people usually have what they want without having it thrust upon them. Steele might have saved his money. He might have saved his reputation. If the people wanted him it was not necessary that the papers which he controlled and directed, and his friends, should waste their efforts in detaining his adversary.

A slight Correction.

It will probably make no difference with those who manage the "two caucuses" in the *Caledonian*, but their last charge—that Mr. Rankin writes the various correspondence of the *Caledonian*, over different and assumed signatures, has as much truth in it as this: None of the correspondence in the *Caledonian*, touching this caucus, has been written by a resident of this town, or county, even once letter-only. And the unanimity of desire for the return of Judge Poland, by the safest counsels and ablest papers out of the district and out of the state, has been gratifying to his friends as it has been disheartening to his enemies.

Steele's friends say that from many towns two delegations will be sent. This means, what is openly talked among themselves, that the Greeley men intend to attend the republican caucus, and claim the right to vote, and, it excluded, withdraw with the Steele men and elect a separate delegation. There is no question but what this is the purpose and the determination.

The Greeley party is a distinct party and violently hostile to the republican party. Its members may of course vote for whom they please in the polls. But a caucus is strictly a matter of party organization, and no man who did not vote the straight republican ticket for state offices in September last, has any right to a voice in the nomination of the republican party. No democrat or Greeley man should be allowed to vote in a republican caucus. The true republicans will see to it that they are not betrayed. No man can safely be sent to Congress who in any measure倾斜ed to the opposition party, for his election.

Steele's friends say that he will run. He does not receive the nomination. This shows the desperation of the movement. It shows that he relies upon the support of the opposition party, and that he will if he can use this element to defeat the wishes of the people as expressed in their convention.

Let the Republicans be on their guard; that they are not betrayed.

Attend the Caucus.

Some of our citizens do not seem to understand the importance of the primary meeting so caucaus. It is here that the battle is fought. The dele-

gates to the convention to be held on the 23d day of October, are elected either to vote for Poland or Steele, as the majority at the caucus shall prefer. Hence the importance that every man should be present. The vote in November, after the polls, is of little importance compared with the vote at the caucus. Let every good citizen see to it that he knows when it is and is promptly on the ground. This is not a matter to be shirked. It is time the people were rousing themselves and taking the management of these meetings out of the hands of the politicians. Let every man who belongs to the Republican party, attend the caucus and see that his neighbors are there also.

The District Convention.

By notice at head of these columns, it will be seen that the District Committee have called a convention for the Second District at White River Junction, on Wednesday, October 2d. The importance of securing the right kind of men to this convention is enlarged upon elsewhere.

More Falsehoods.

The statement of Bullard in relation to the appointment of postmaster in St. Johnsbury which appears in the *Farmer* of this week, is a tissue of falsehoods from beginning to end. Mr. Fleetwood was appointed postmaster on the ground of fitness, and because the appointment met the approval of the community. Bullard did not obtain the names of most of the business men of St. Johnsbury to his petition. Mr. Fleetwood was not a copper-head, though half of Bullard's statements were true the people of St. Johnsbury would long ago have moved to get a new postmaster. We never heard of any movement to which Bullard was not the mover. Because of the friendly relations between the friends of Bullard's candidate and Judge Poland, and because Fleetwood was a Morrell man, in the Poland-Morrell contest (then clerk in the post office) Judge Poland would gladly have appointed him if he and the business men who took an interest in the matter and with whom he advised, had approved.

Gov. Converse has appointed Joseph Denison son of D. C. Denison of Rutland his private Secretary. The governor has rooms at Col. H. D. Hopkins' residence, south of the State House.

By Their Fruits Shall You Know Them.

No high minded person who has watched the course pursued by the press controlled by Steele, has failed to be surprised and charmed. The character of the attacks upon Judge Poland has brought disgrace upon those who have aided and abetted them. The Steele papers failing to secure the nomination of their candidate without business experience, this was the reason why he was not appointed. This was reason enough. The article in question is totally without truth and without decency.

Massachusetts Politicians.—Judge E. R. Hart was nominated as Congressional candidate from the new Seventh Congressional district, at Lowell, Tuesday, and Hon. J. C. Headley of Lawrence the old Seventh Convention nominated C. C. Esty of Framingham as congressional candidate to fill the unexpired term of Hon. Geo. M. Brooks.

The Second Coming.

As the speaker is already elected, there is no occasion for inserting a communication received this week on that subject.

Caucus Nominations.—Steele has elected a Steele delegate in each of the Democratic, as is asserted. Still, he has selected a delegate claimed by both parties, while Belding is Steele's candidate, two Poland men to the District Convention.

Steele's Column.—Assuming that what is stated in the *Caledonian* every week is conceded to have been done by Steele, he has made a statement. Now the mere denial of a fact is not disproof. We said that Judge Poland had been chairman of the committee on the Revision of the Laws, that he had been the chairman of the House Division, Ku-Klux Committee, and made the report of that committee to the House, that he was the acting chairman of the Committee of the District of Columbia, and made the report of his committee, and that he had been chairman of the House of Representatives, and to do away with his services in Congress. It is alleged, sometimes, in some of the papers that he has been disengaged from himself and abdicated them. The Steele papers failing to secure the nomination of their candidate without business experience, this was the reason why he was not appointed. This was reason enough. The article in question is totally without truth and without decency.

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